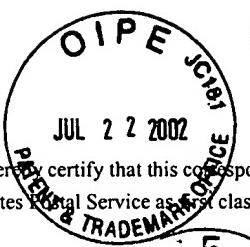


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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 18, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification to replace the paragraph starting on page 10, line 24 and continuing through page 11, line 4 with the following clean copy of the amended paragraph. A marked up copy showing the amendments is provided in Appendix A, attached hereto.

Figure 1A-1C show genetic constructs of the invention. Figure 1A shows the *Arabidopsis thaliana* RBCSB locus with black line indicating noncoding genomic DNA. Exons are shown in blocks (*RBCS1B*, *RBCS2B*, and *RBCS3B*, respectively). Exon size is not to scale but rather represents genic organization. Figure 1B shows an

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